



Lubbock County Commissioner's Court

August 23, 2021

10:00 AM - Regular Meeting

904 Broadway, Lubbock County Courthouse, 5th Floor

BE IT REMEMBERED that on 8/23/2021 there was held a Regular Meeting of the Lubbock County Commissioners' Court in and for the County of Lubbock, the following members present:

Curtis Parrish	County Judge
Terence Kovar	Commissioner 1
Jason Corley	Commissioner 2
Gilbert Flores	Commissioner 3
Chad Seay	Commissioner 4

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Chad Seay.

At this time, 10:00 AM, the Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance were given by Chad Seay.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (No vote will be taken at this item) Public Comment Note: Anyone wishing to address the Court during Public Comments is required to register your name on the Clerk's registry prior to the meeting. Speakers may only address items listed on the current agenda. Speakers are limited to two (2) minutes maximum, and if there are more than three speakers who wish to address the same item, the Court reserves the right to limit speakers. THE COURT CANNOT DELIBERATE OR ACT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA.

No member of the public addressed the court.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve the Minutes from Special Commissioner's Court dated July 28, 2021.

Upon a motion by Gilbert Flores, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving the Minutes from Special Commissioner's Court dated July 28, 2021.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve the Minutes from Regular Commissioner's Court dated August 9, 2021.

Upon a motion by Terence Kovar, seconded by Jason Corley, the court unanimously voted approving the Minutes from Regular Commissioner's Court dated August 9, 2021.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve the Minutes from Special Commissioner's Court dated August 12, 2021.

Upon a motion by Gilbert Flores, seconded by Jason Corley, the court unanimously voted approving the Minutes from Special Commissioner's Court dated August 12, 2021.

Discuss, consider, and/or take action to approve the amended Budget Calendar for FY 2022. To include adding the Public Meeting to order an election per Election Code 3.005(c), change date to adopt the tax rate per Tax Code 26.05 (a), and adding the unified election w/tax increase on the ballot for November 2, 2021.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving the amended Budget Calendar for FY 2022. To include adding the Public Meeting to order an election per Election Code 3.005(c), change date to adopt the tax rate per Tax Code 26.05(a) and adding the unified election w/tax increase on the ballot for November 2, 2021.

Consider Auditor and Financial Matters: Line Item Transfers and Budget Amendments.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Jason Corley, the court unanimously voted approving Auditor and Financial Matters: Line Item Transfers of \$38,036,966.00 and Budget Amendments of \$3,299,356.00 as presented by Kathy Williams.



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Authorize Payment of Claims: General Accounts (Pooled Cash).

Upon a motion by Gilbert Flores, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving to Authorize Payment of Claims: General Accounts (Pooled Cash) of \$3,890,272.55 as presented by Kathy Williams.

Present Monthly Unaudited Financial Report for July 2021.

Upon a motion by Jason Corley, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving the Monthly Unaudited Financial Report for July 2021 as presented by Kathy Williams.

Present the Government Financial Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for Fiscal Year Beginning October 01, 2020 to Lubbock County.

Present the Government Financial Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for Fiscal Year Beginning October 01, 2020 to Lubbock County as presented by Kathy Williams.

Presentation to the Lubbock County Historical Commission of the 2020 Distinguished Service Award for outstanding preservation work.

Presentation to the Lubbock County Historical Commission of the 2020 Distinguished Service Award for outstanding preservation work as presented by Sandy Fortenberry.

Presentation by Ronda Alexander, Department Director, of Cory Edwards, a candidate for consideration to fill the Family and Community Health Agent position for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - Lubbock County office.

Upon a motion by Curtis Parrish, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving Cory Edwards to fill the Family and Community Health Agent position for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - Lubbock County office as presented by Ronda Alexander.



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(10:15 am) Public Hearing regarding the Lubbock County Tax rate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$.359990 per \$100

NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE \$.312437 per \$100

VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE \$.324942 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Lubbock County from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that Lubbock County may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Lubbock County is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on Monday, August 23, 2021 at the Lubbock County Courthouse, located at 904 Broadway in Lubbock, County at 10:15 a.m.

The proposed tax rate is also greater than the voter-approval tax rate. If Lubbock County adopts the proposed tax rate, Lubbock County is required to hold an election so that the voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. If a majority of the voters reject the proposed tax rate, the tax rate of the Lubbock County will be the voter-approval tax rate. The election will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. You may contact the Lubbock County Office of elections for information about voting locations. The hours of voting on election day are 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Your taxes owed under any of the tax rates mentioned above can be calculated as follows:

Property tax amount = tax rate x taxable value of your property / 100

(Names of all members of the governing body, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating the absences.)

FOR the proposal: Judge Parrish, Commissioner Kovar, Commissioner Corley, Commissioner Flores, and Commissioner Seay

AGAINST the proposal: None PRESENT and not voting: None ABSENT: None

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state."



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At this time 10:15 AM Public Hearing opened for comment. The following persons addressed the court:

Tony Jackson, generally in favor-undecided, MaryAnn Bridges-Against, Brandon Helton-In favor.

Public Hearing was held open for additional possible comments at 11:15 AM

Consent Agenda: Items 12-19: Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve out of state travel for Melanie Hall to New Orleans for the State and Local Benefits Association meeting.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving out of state travel for Melanie Hall to New Orleans for the State and Local Benefits Association meeting.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve out of state travel for Bayli Bowles to Las Vegas NV.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving out of state travel for Bayli Bowles to Las Vegas NV.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve out of state travel to Washington, D.C. for Jennifer LaMarr, Patricia Holbert, Wade Goolsby, Kortney Garrett, Donny Hargrave, Miriam Huerta, Savanna Garcia and Roberto Martinez to attend the National Peace Officer Memorial.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving out of state travel to Washington, D.C. for Jennifer LaMarr, Patricia Holbert, Wade Goolsby, Kortney Garrett, Donny Hargrave, Miriam Huerta, Savanna Garcia and Roberto Martinez to attend the National Peace Officer Memorial.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve out of state travel for Forrest Eubank and Chris Brunson to attend K9 Handler training in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving out of state travel for Forrest Eubank and Chris Brunson to attend K9 Handler training in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign the Community Counselor agreements for FY22.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign the Community Counselor agreements for FY22.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign Parent Educator Agreements for FY22.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign Parent Educator Agreements for FY22.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign the FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Statement Of Taskforce Grant Award and Grantee Acceptance Notice on behalf of the South Plains Auto Theft Task Force.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign the FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Statement Of Taskforce Grant Award and Grantee Acceptance Notice on behalf of the South Plains Auto Theft Task Force.



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Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign the fifth and final one-year renewal with Agape Funeral Chapel for cremation and indigent burial services.

Upon a motion by Gilbert Flores, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign the fifth and final one-year renewal with Agape Funeral Chapel for cremation and indigent burial services as presented by Clint Wehrman.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to award RFP 210602, Hazard Mitigation Plan Development Services for the Lubbock County Emergency Management.

Upon a motion by Jason Corley, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving award RFP 210602, Hazard Mitigation Plan Development Services for the Lubbock County Emergency Management to H2O Partners, Inc. as presented by Clint Wehrman.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve the sale of Lubbock County's surplus or salvage property through an on-line auction per Local Government Code 263.152 (a)(1).

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Gilbert Flores, the court unanimously voted approving the sale of Lubbock County's surplus or salvage property through an on-line auction per Local Government Code 263.152 (a)(1) as presented by Kristina Handley.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign Change Order #1 with ABF Commercial Roofing and Foam in the amount of \$10,344.82 for the 916 Main Office Building Re-Roof project as awarded in ITB 210601.

Upon a motion by Chad Seay, seconded by Jason Corley, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign Change Order #1 with ABF Commercial Roofing and Foam in the amount of \$10,344.82 for the 916 Main Office Building Re-Roof project as awarded in ITB 210601 as presented by Nick Hill.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign an Equipment Maintenance Agreement and Addendum with The Remi Group for support service for three datacenter UPS units.

Upon a motion by Terence Kovar, seconded by Gilbert Flores, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign an Equipment Maintenance Agreement and Addendum with The Remi Group for support service for three datacenter UPS units as presented by Isaac Badu.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign an annual support agreement with Qless.

Upon a motion by Jason Corley, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign an annual support agreement with Qless as presented by Mary Gomez.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to approve the continuation of the Lubbock County Civil Fees for FY2021/2022.

Upon a motion by Jason Corley, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving the continuation of the Lubbock County Civil Fees for FY2021/2022 as presented by Chief Administrator Dan Corbin.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign a Software License Agreement and addendum with Novotx for Elements XS annual subscription

Upon a motion by Terence Kovar, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign a Software License Agreement and addendum with Novotx for Elements XS annual subscription as presented by Jennifer Davidson.



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Discuss, consider, and/or take action to approve a preliminary plat for Isom Estates, Lots 1-7 in Precinct 3.

Upon a motion by Gilbert Flores, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving a preliminary plat for Isom Estates, Lots 1-7 in Precinct 3 as presented by Jennifer Davidson.

Discuss, consider, and/or take action to approve and sign for filling purposes the plat regarding Isom Estates Lot 1, in Precinct 3.

Upon a motion by Gilbert Flores, seconded by Terence Kovar, the court unanimously voted approving to sign for filling purposes the plat regarding Isom Estates Lot 1, in Precinct 3 as presented by Jennifer Davidson.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to authorize the County Judge to sign a Sales Agreement and Addendum with Warren Cat for the purchase of a 2018 4000 Gallon Water Truck.

Upon a motion by Terence Kovar, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving to authorize the County Judge to sign a Sales Agreement and Addendum with Warren Cat for the purchase of a 2018 4000 Gallon Water Truck as presented by Jennifer Davidson.

Report on the status of County Road Projects, Department Staffing, Training and Safety, unpaved and paved road maintenance, signs, parks, and fleet management report.

Report on the status of County Road Projects, Department Staffing, Training and Safety, unpaved and paved road maintenance, signs, parks and fleet management report as presented by Jennifer Davidson.

Budget Workshop.

No budget workshop held.



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As authorized by the Texas Government Code, the Commissioners' Court of Lubbock County, Texas reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matters, including but not limited to any of the matters listed above, as they may relate to Texas Government Code § 551.071(1) (Consultation with Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or settlement offers); Texas Government Code § 551.071(2) (Consultation with Attorney when the Attorney's obligations under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code); Texas Government Code § 551.072 (Deliberations About Real Property); Texas Government Code § 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations); Texas Government Code § 551.074 (Personnel Matters); Texas Government Code § 551.0745 (Personnel Matters Affecting a County Advisory Body); Texas Government Code § 551.076 (Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits); and Texas Government Code § 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations).

At this time, 10:47 AM, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, the Commissioners' Court of Lubbock County, Texas reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matters, including but not limited to any of the matters listed above, as they may relate to Texas Government Code § 551.071(1) (Consultation with Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or settlement offers); Texas Government Code § 551.071(2) (Consultation with Attorney when the Attorney's obligations under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code); Texas Government Code § 551.072 (Deliberations About Real Property); Texas Government Code § 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations); Texas Government Code § 551.074 (Personnel Matters); Texas Government Code § 551.0745 (Personnel Matters Affecting a County Advisory Body); Texas Government Code § 551.076 (Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits); and Texas Government Code § 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations).

At this time 11:03 AM Executive session adjourned to reconvene in regular session at 11:15 AM to continue public comments on Tax Rate Increase.

Continuation of Public Hearing regarding the Lubbock County Tax rate.

At this time 11:15 AM Public Hearing continued for public comment. The following person addressed the court;

J. Davis Spencer-Against

At this time 11:24 AM public hearing closed.

Discuss, consider and/or take action to adopt the Lubbock County Tax rate of \$0.35999 per \$100 of taxable value for the tax year of 2021, \$0.329655 for the purpose of maintenance and operations and \$0.030335 for the purpose of principal and interest on debt.

Upon a motion by Terence Kovar, seconded by Chad Seay, the court unanimously voted approving to adopt the Lubbock County Tax rate of \$0.35999 per \$100 of taxable value for the tax year of 2021, \$0.329655 for the purpose of maintenance and operations and \$0.030335 for the purpose of principal and interest on debt.

A quorum of the Commissioners Court may be present at 1500 Broadway, 5th floor (LEDA conference room) hosted by the Lubbock County Expo Center Local Government Corporation Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, August 24, 2021.



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At this time, 11:25 AM, 8/23/2021, the Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court was adjourned.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE READ AND APPROVED IN OPEN COURT ON THIS DAY 9/13/2021

Presiding Officer:  County Clerk: 
